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From: Wu, Jennifer
Sent: Wed 2/20/2013 7:07:37 PM
Subject: FW: 10/17 Sediment TWG - Meeting Follow Up
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FYI - going through my emails and thought you might be interested

From: WALTZ David [Waltz.David@deq.state.or.us]
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2013 12:52 PM
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From: STEBBINS Adam [mailto:Adam.Stebbins@CO.Benton.OR.US]
Sent: Tuesday, January 22, 2013 11:57 AM
To: WALTZ David
Cc: mike.newton@oregonstate.edu
Subject: FW: 10/17 Sediment TWG - Meeting Follow Up

Dear Mr. Waltz,

Dr. Mike Newton requested that I forward the below email to you regarding the mid-coast TMDL analysis for sediment.

Please direct any questions, comments to Dr. Newton directly.

Thanks,

Adam Stebbins

Projects Coordinator

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Sent: Sunday, January 20, 2013 2:46 PM

To: STEBBINS Adam

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Adam,

This analysis of runoff and erosion in western catchments is not appropriate. The references to such stuff as Likens et al is misplaced because of the grossly different geology and weather systems from the northeast that are cited here as evidence of problems.

Our local streams are fed by increased discharge from uplands when it rains hard,

exclusively in winter. Oregon landscapes are constantly on the move conditioned by the periodic heavy rains, and there is no chance that human activity under current management is likely to trigger erosion events more severe than those that shaped the terrain presently visible, and which is still evolving. The attrition of the highway 20 debacle west of Philomath is a good example of the movement of large pieces of terrain, with or without major engineering projects. For the EPA or DEQ to start making rules based on improper citations of erosion from elsewhere is evidence of an academic analysis a long way from the data sources!

I think close examination will indicate that where forests occupy the terrain today, less than one percent of all siltation comes from forest roads and logging. In view of the large amount of debris and silt going down streams naturally through natural geologic erosion, and variation in these discharges, benefits from imposition of new rules is extremely unmeasurable.

Please forward this to your DEQ contacts. They need to understand that the west coast is not matched anywhere else in the country, and such reports are not helpful in determination of TMDLs or other regulations.

Mike Newton

From: WALTZ David [<mailto:Waltz.David@deq.state.or.us>]
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Dear MidCoast TMDLs Sediment TWG members,

Attached is a memo provided to DEQ addressing our solicitation for information on known or potential sediment sources in the MidCoast Basin. Although this memo is not a published paper or Report, the author reviews several of the publications that we received from LASC and TWG members, and then distributed to the Sediment TWG on November 15 along with a set of questions to consider. The memo presents certain issues regarding erosion, sediment and turbidity related to forest harvest practices in a clear and concise manner. Therefore, we concluded that it would be useful for TWG members' evaluation and discussion of sediment sources. Our recommendation is to read it with the same questions in mind in our November 15 email on this subject.

Regards,

R. David Waltz

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Greetings Sediment TWG members and interested parties,

Thank you for your participation at the Sediment TWG meeting held in Newport on October 17. Attached is the draft meeting *Action Items Memo* for your review and consideration, this document includes agreed to action items, upcoming meeting dates, and brief meeting notes. Given the level of interest in this meeting, we have also developed a separate and more comprehensive set of meeting notes (*see attached supplemental*).

DEQ is working to post presentations and meeting follow up information to the project website (<http://www.deq.state.or.us/wq/tmdls/midcoast.htm>) please continue to check for updates.

Feel free to contact Gene, Ryan, Shannon, Josh, or me with any questions or concerns.

Best,

Peter

Peter Harkema

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